

9. The log file protection system of Claim 2, further comprising means which perform additional processing, when an altered or deleted log file is detected by said alteration detection means.

10. The log file protection system of either Claim 2, further comprising hiding means which hide all but one of the log files.

11. The log file protection system of Claim 10, further comprising means which perform additional processing, when an altered or deleted log file is detected by said alteration detection means.

12. The log file protection system of Claim 10, wherein said hiding means re-hide said hidden log files in different locations, when alteration or deletion is detected by said alteration detection means.

13. The log file protection system of Claim 12, further comprising means which perform additional processing, when an altered or deleted log file is detected by said alteration detection means.

a<sup>3</sup> 14. The log file protection system of claim 10, wherein said hiding means periodically re-hide said hidden log files in different locations.

15. The log file protection system of Claim 14, further comprising means which perform additional processing, when an altered or deleted log file is detected by said alteration detection means.

16. The log file protection system of Claim 14, wherein said hiding means re-hide said hidden log files in different locations, when alteration or deletion is detected by said alteration detection means.

17. The log file protection system of Claim 16, further comprising means which perform additional processing, when an altered or deleted log file is detected by said alteration detection means.

18. The log file protection system of Claim 3, further comprising means which perform additional processing, when an altered or deleted log file is detected by said alteration detection means.

19. The log file protection system of Claim 4, further comprising means which perform additional processing, when an altered or deleted log file is detected by said alteration detection means.